

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 120

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Carolyn Mitchell on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.6 million Tennessee volunteers give over 137 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.3 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Mitchell of Ripley is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mitchell is an advocate for seniors in her community; she is employed at Lauderdale Community Living Center, she is active in the Second Wind Organization, and she volunteers for events surrounding World Elderly Abuse Day; and

WHEREAS, active in her community at large, she is a member of the Justice Center Relay for Life Team, serves on the Career Technical Advisory Committee for Lauderdale County, and is a member of the Exchange Club, where she serves as a board member, a committee member for the JB Ammon's Golf Tournament, and past president; she is a Lauderdale County Ambassador and volunteers many hours to the programs, projects, and events sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Leadership Lauderdale, Carolyn Mitchell serves on the Board of Directors for both Leadership Lauderdale and Youth Leadership Lauderdale; and

WHEREAS, she also volunteers for numerous community events, including the Lauderdale County Tomato Festival, the Lauderdale County Fair, Health & Heritage Day, and the Think Pink Event; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mitchell is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Carolyn Mitchell for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.